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text-book of this grade. Dr. Mowry is a veteran educator, and writes from the point of view of the practical teacher who knows how difficult it is to create an interest in history among many boys and girls of twelve.

The work is to be commended also because it is written from the newer point of view that history is not a chronicle of wars and details of campaigns and battles, but a record of the moral, intellectual, social, political, industrial and commercial life of the people and nation. The authors give proper attention to the wars of the country, as a part of its annals, but they lay the stress, not upon the fighting, etc., but upon causes and effects. They urge that the classroom where history is taught should be free from the spirit of militarism, and that glory and patriotism have no necessary connection with war. Written in this new spirit, and calling attention to the duty and growing tendency of nations to settle their difficulties by pacific methods, this work constitutes a valuable addition to the list of text-books on history for the use of schools.

**THE GREATER PARABLES OF TOLSTOY.** By Walter Walsh, pastor of Gilfillan Memorial Church, Dundee, Scotland. London: C. W. Daniel, 3 Amen Corner. 8vo. Cloth. 155 pages.

This attractive little book is an attempt to summarize in a brief, simple, faithful way the principles of Tolstoy's teaching, and to furnish an introduction to the study of the works of the great Russian reformer. Mr. Walsh considers Tolstoy's four best-known works of fiction, "Anna Karenina," "The Kreutzer Sonata," "Resurrection" and "Work While Ye Have the Light," as essentially parables, setting forth the principles and ideas to which Tolstoy has devoted all his later life. He here repeats, in a brief but accurate way, the substance of the stories, and then sets forth the lessons which they are intended to teach. Whatever Mr. Walsh does is not only conscientiously and carefully done, but done also with a warm love for his fellowmen and a deep interest in their true welfare.

**MARRIAGE.** By Jane Dearborn Mills. Philadelphia: The Nunc Licet Press. 84 pages. Second edition.

This excellent little book is an attempt to say, from the woman's point of view, what ought to be, but is really never, said on the immensely important subject of marriage. It is written in a frank way, yet with a truly womanly delicacy and chasteness of expression that one rarely finds in books of this class. The true nature of marriage is unfolded with great insight, and the imperfection and frequent injustice of existing marriage laws set forth in a bold, clear way, which, if not always satisfactory, compels thought on the subject, and will aid in the formation of sound views and customs in this matter of the supremest importance to the whole human race in all its relations.

**THE FIRST BOOK OF THE HOMECROFTERS.** Guildhall of the Homecrofters, 143 Main Street, Watertown, Mass.

A booklet of more than one hundred pages published in the interest of the Homecrofters' propaganda, that is,

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#### Pamphlets Received.

VERBATIM REPORT OF THE FIVE DAYS' CONGO DEBATE in the Belgian House of Representatives, February 20, 27, 28; March 1, 2. Translated from the official stenographic report and annotated by E. D. Morel. Issued by the Congo Reform Association, Liverpool, England. Price, one shilling.

THE ORIGIN AND EARLY HISTORY OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY By William Barnes, Sr., Albany, N. Y. Prepared for the Semi-Centennial of the Republican Party.

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